



# Ladybird I'm Ready... for Phonics!

Level  
**4**  
Two stories



# Huff! Puff! Run!







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# Note to parents, carers and teachers

**Ladybird I'm Ready for Phonics** is a series of phonic reading books that have been carefully written to give gradual, structured practice of the synthetic phonics programme your child is learning at school.

Each book focuses on a set of phonemes (sounds) together with their graphemes (letters). The books also provide practice of common tricky words, such as **the** and **said**, that cannot be sounded out.

The series closely follows the order that your child is taught phonics in school, from initial letter sounds to key phonemes and beyond. It helps to build reading confidence through practice of these phonics building blocks, and reinforces school learning in a fun way.

## Ideas for use

- Children learn best when reading is a fun experience. Read the book together and give your child plenty of praise and encouragement.
- Help your child identify and sound out the phonemes (sounds) in any words he is having difficulty reading. Then, blend these sounds together to read the word.
- Talk about the story words and tricky words at the end of each story to reinforce learning.

For more information and advice on synthetic phonics and school book banding, visit [www.ladybird.com/phonics](http://www.ladybird.com/phonics)

Book  
Band  
2



Level 4 builds on the sounds learnt in levels 1 to 3 and introduces new sounds and their letter representations:

**e u r h b f ff l ll ss**

## Special features:

repetition of sounds  
in different words

short sentences with  
simple language



### Story Words

Can you match these words to the pictures below?

Gus  
Ross  
bus  
Miss Hill  
hat  
sun  
log  
net



### Tricky Words

These tricky words are in the story you have just read. They cannot be phonetically sounded out. Can you memorize them and read them super fast?

the  
to  
into  
I



summary page to  
reinforce learning







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# **The Fun Run**





Gus, Ross, Mum and Dad  
go to the Fun Run.



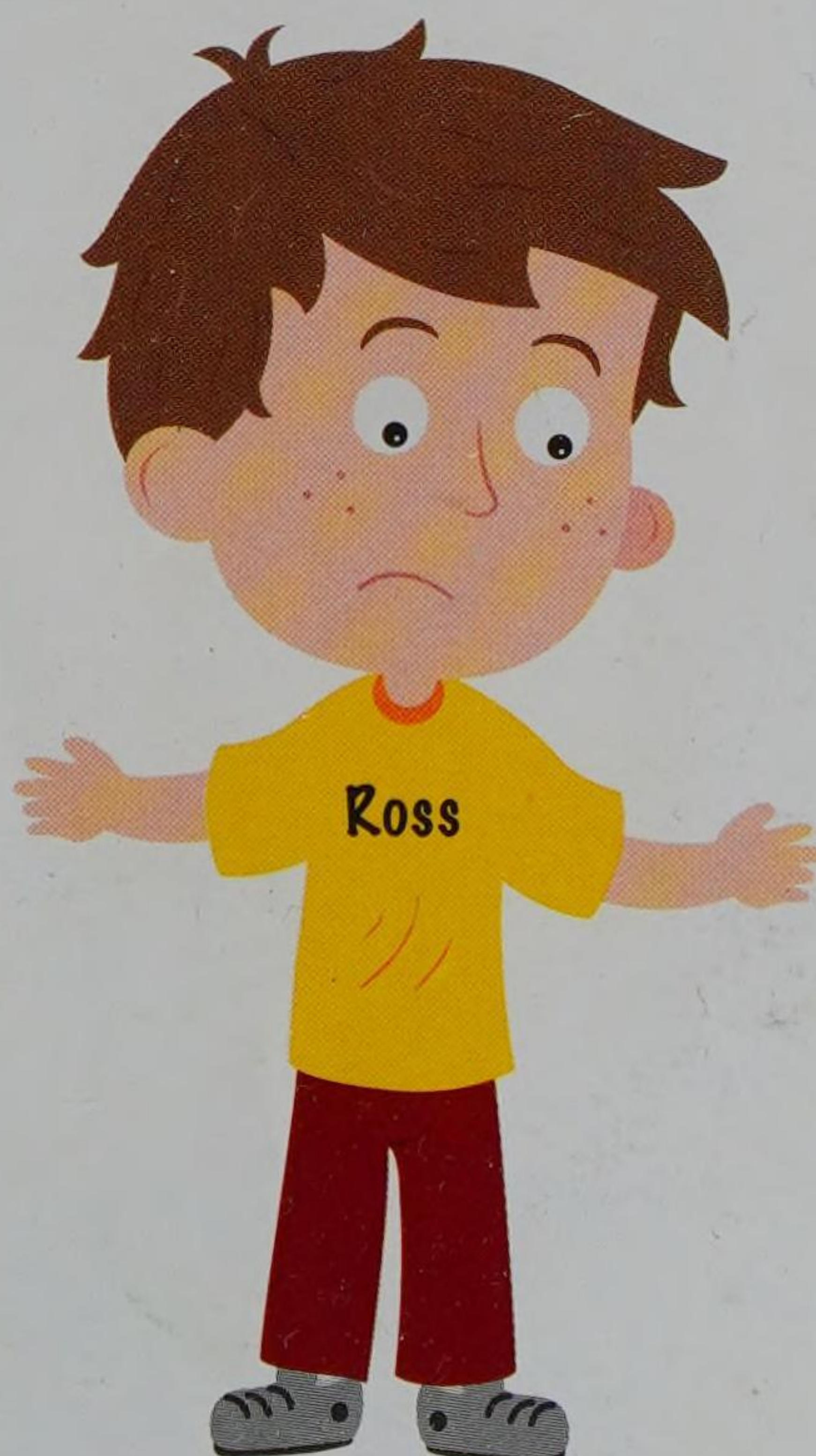


Gus has a lot of kit.

I am fit!



Ross has no kit and  
is fed up.





Miss Hill sets the Fun Run  
off. Mum and Dad tell  
Gus to run and run.





Ross is at the back.

I am sad. I am  
at the back.





Gus runs off but gets hot  
and has a nap.





Ross gets hot but runs on.

Huff! Puff!





Ross gets back to Miss Hill.  
Ross gets a medal.





Gus gets up.





Gus gets back and  
gets his medal.







Huff! Puff!



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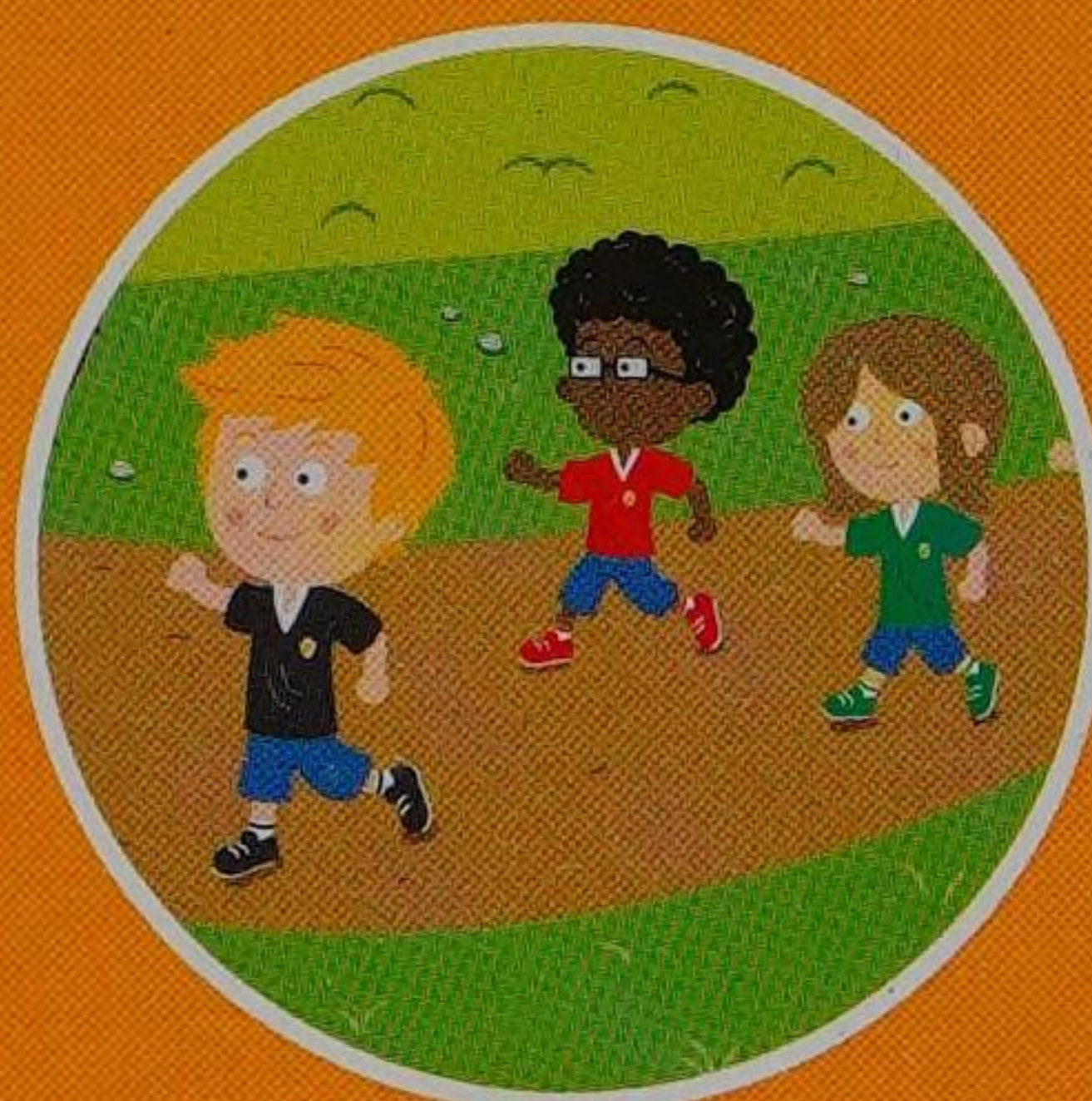
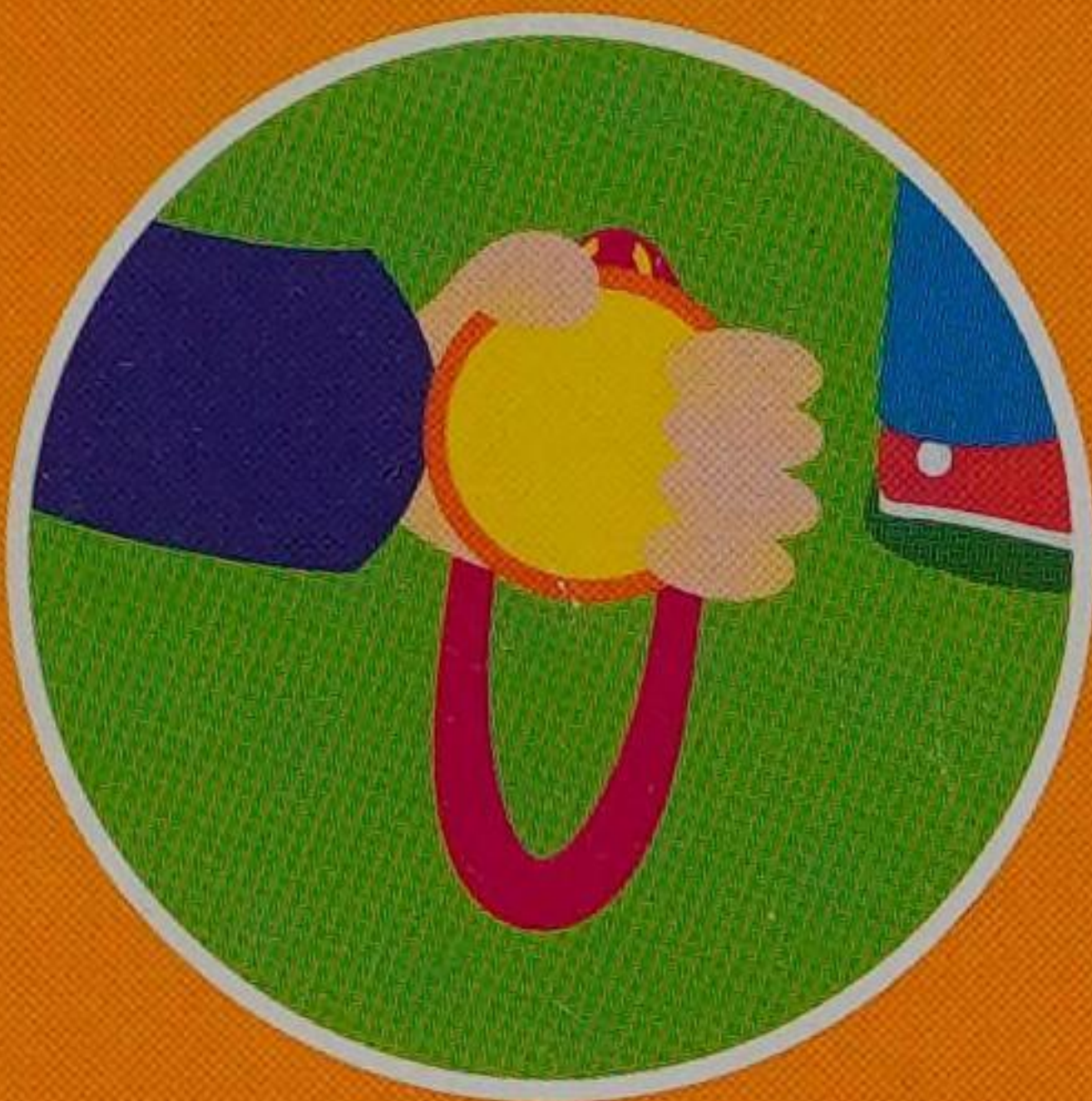
Miss Hill

Ross

nap

Fun Run

medal





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to  
the  
go  
I  
no









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**Gus is Hot!**





Miss Hill, Gus and Ross get  
on the bus.





Gus runs to the back  
of the bus.






Ross, Gus and Miss Hill  
get off the bus.





Miss Hill tells Gus to put his hat on.

An illustration of a scene in a field. On the right, Miss Hill, a woman with glasses, a pink hat, a green jacket, and black pants, stands with her arms outstretched. On the left, Gus, a boy with curly blonde hair, a red shirt, blue pants, and green boots, looks up at her. Between them is a small blue pond with a lily pad and a frog on a log to the left. The background features a purple horizon line, green trees, and a blue sky.

It is hot  
in the sun.

No!



Ross and Gus sit on logs.  
Ross dips his net into  
the bog.





Gus rams his net into  
the bog.





Ross has a net. It is full  
of big bugs.





Gus tugs up his net  
and it is full of mud.





Back on the bus, Gus is ill.

Gus did not put  
his hat on!









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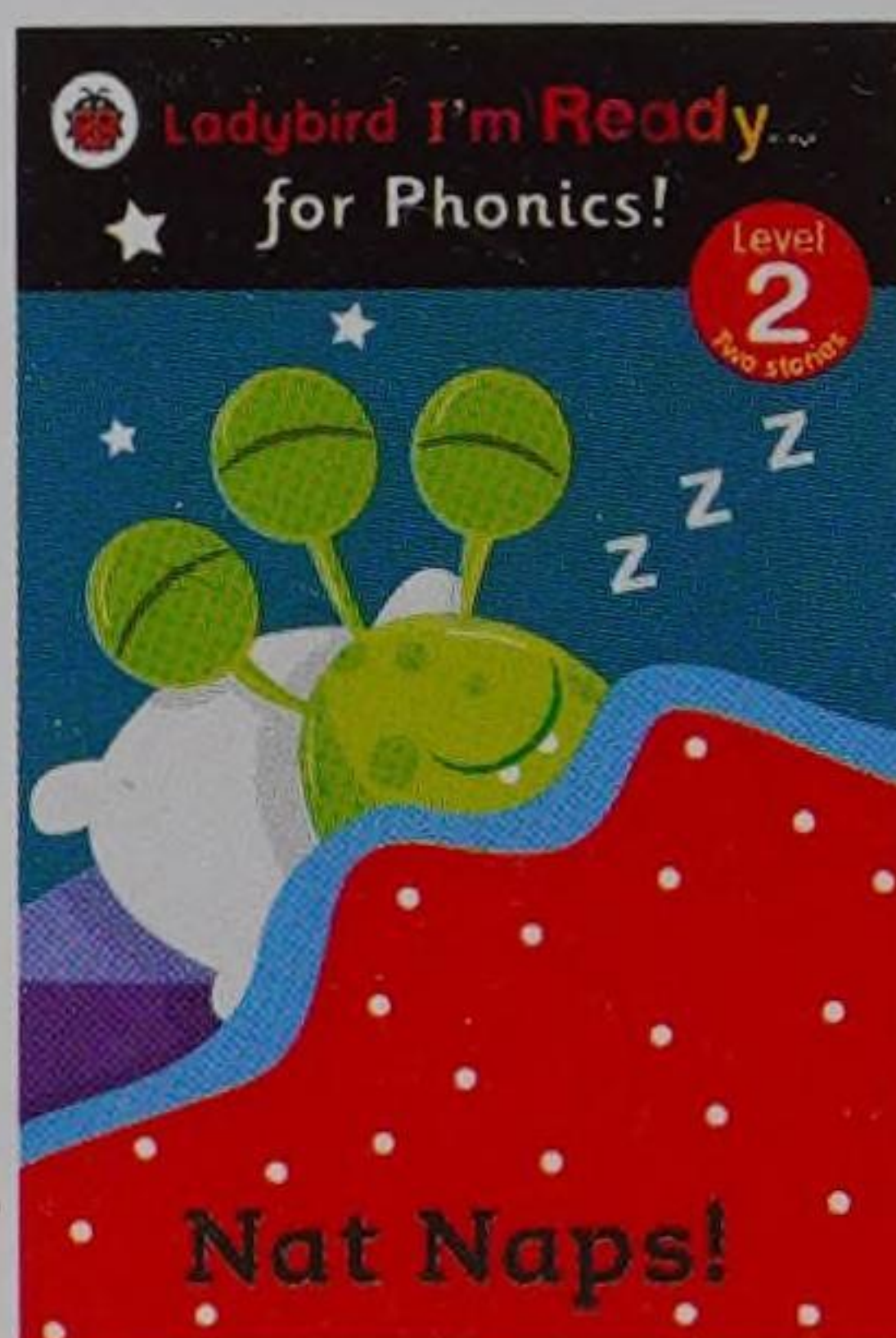




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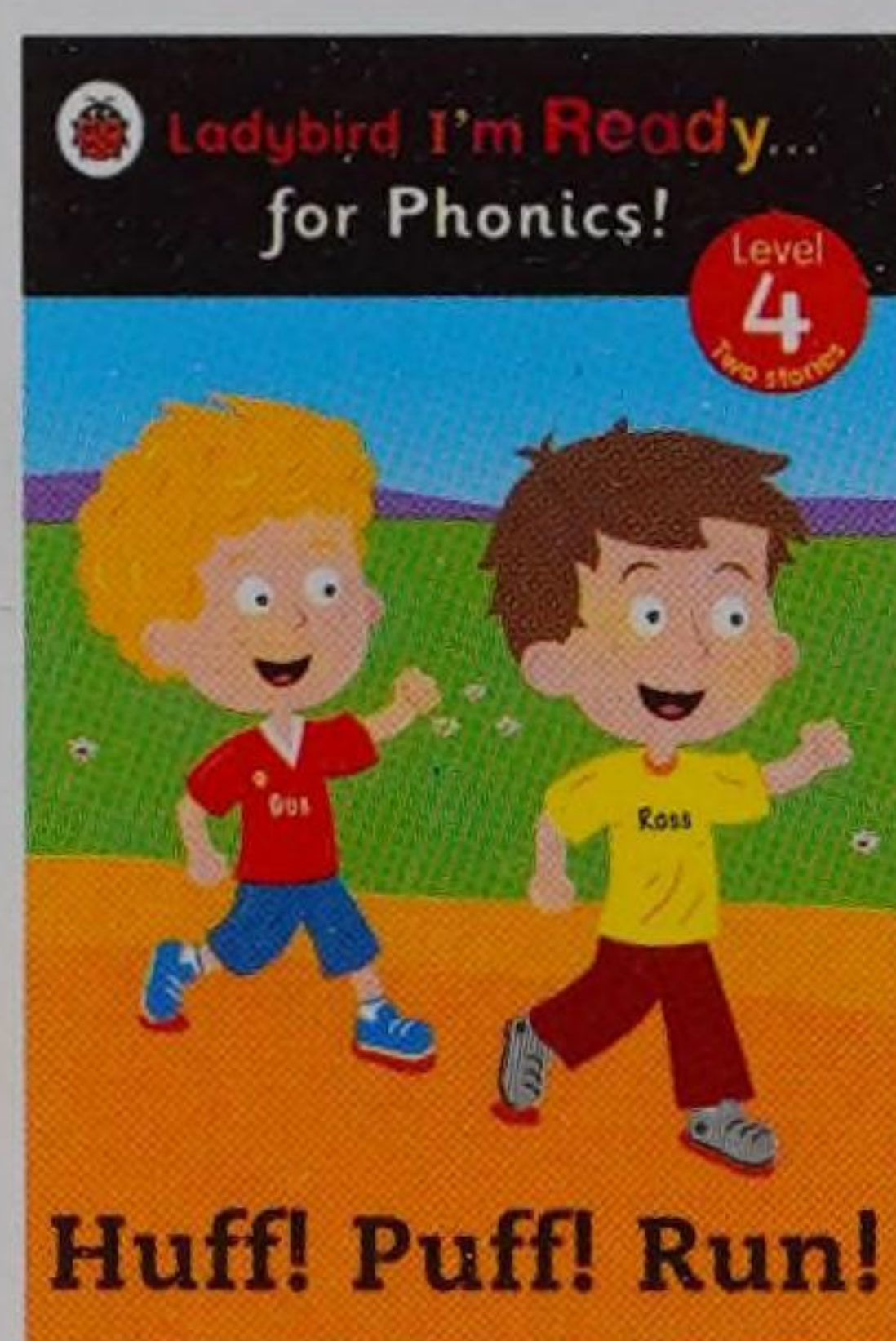
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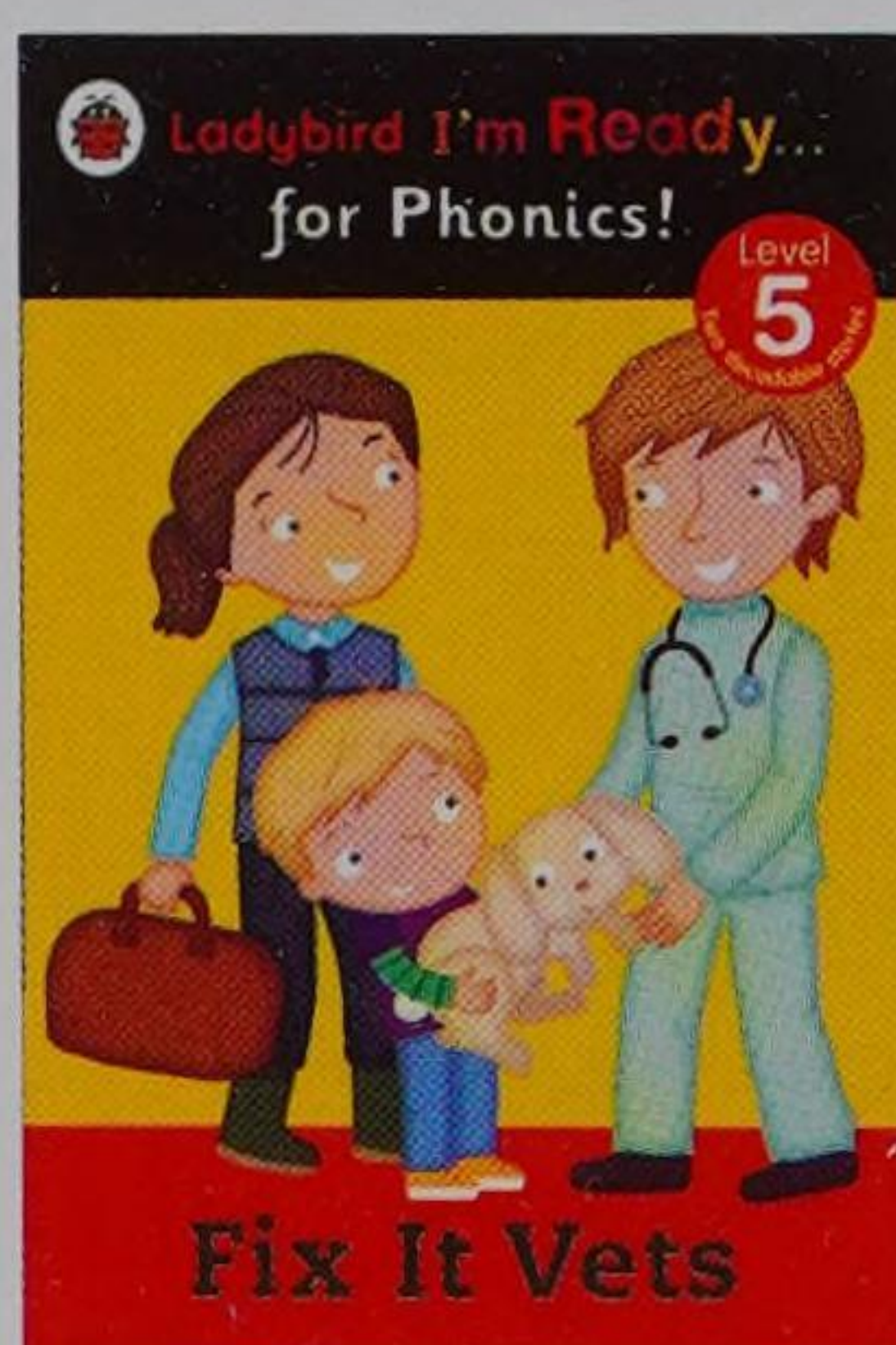
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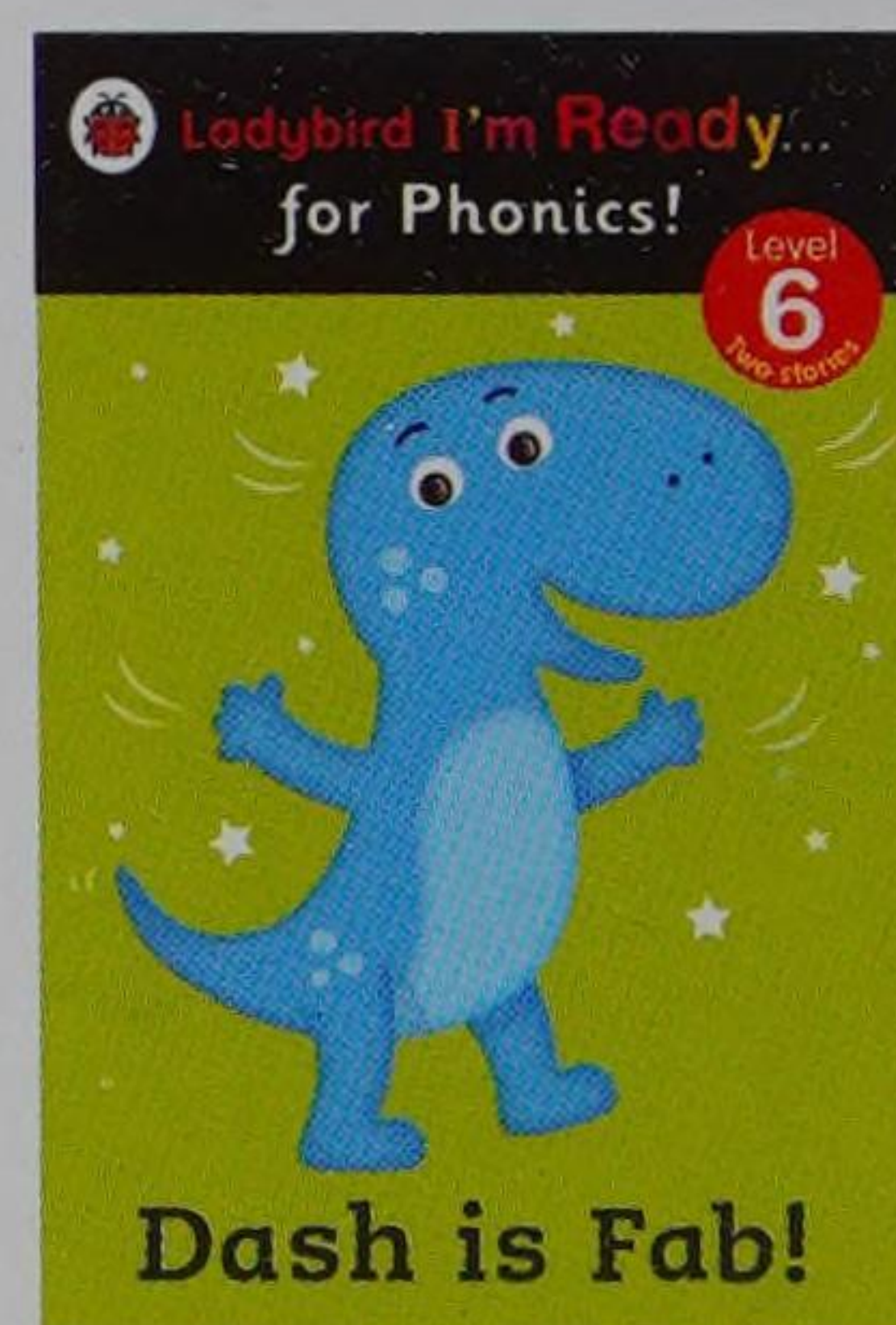
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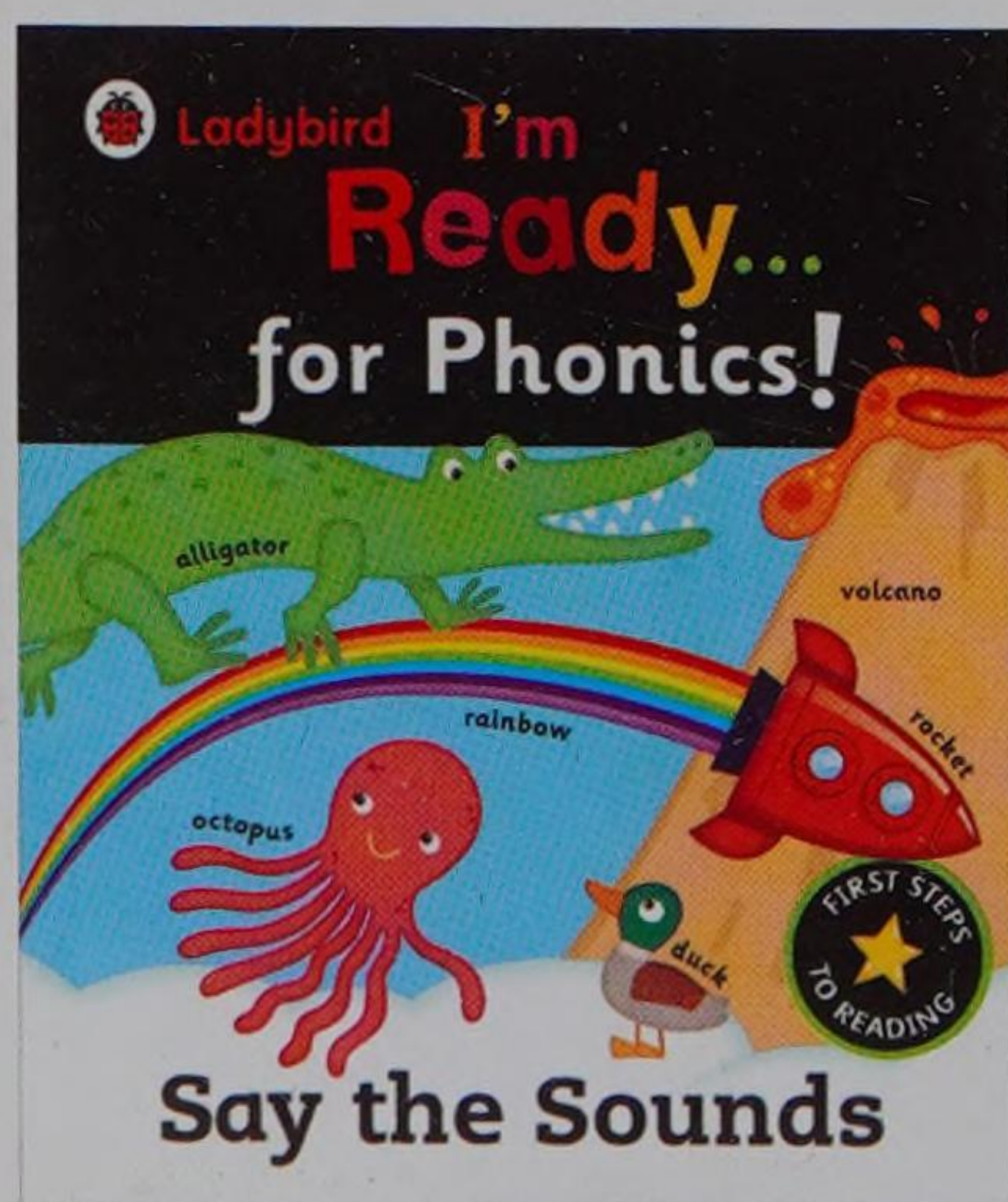
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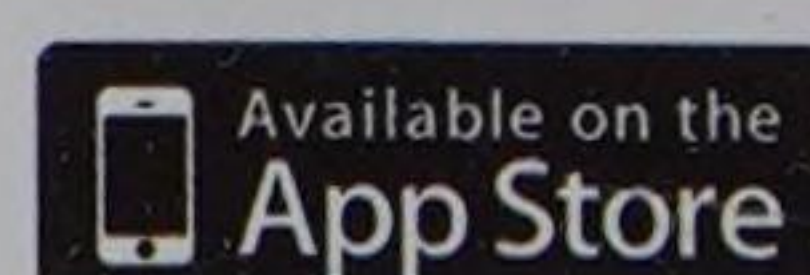
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Apps also available on Android devices







Decodable with  
tricky words

# Ladybird I'm Ready... for Phonics!

This series of carefully levelled books  
helps children practise and develop  
their synthetic phonics skills.

**Story 1: The Fun Run**  
**Story 2: Gus is Hot!**

**Focuses on these sounds and letters:**

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**e u r h b**  
**f ff l ll ss**

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